

**ABSOLUTE RATING:** Average

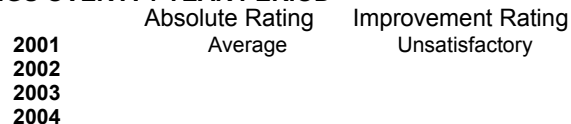
**IMPROVEMENT RATING:** Unsatisfactory

Number of Elementary schools with students like ours: 81.

The absolute ratings for those schools ranged from below average to excellent.

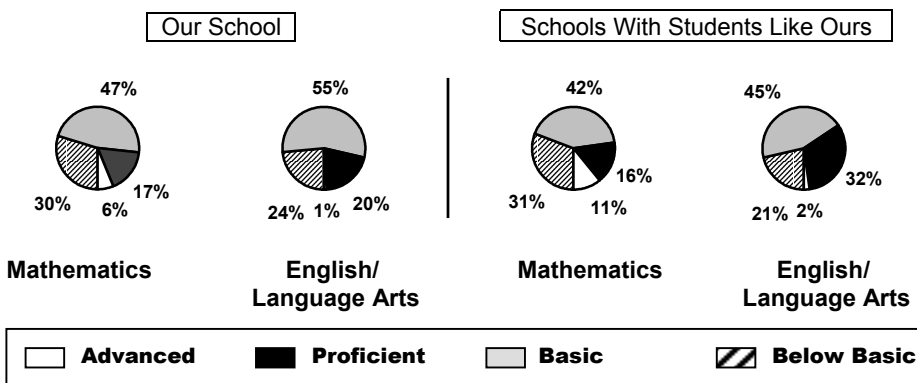
For improvement ratings, the range was from unsatisfactory to excellent.

## RATINGS OVER A 4-YEAR PERIOD



(Definitions of School Rating Terms on Page 4)

## PALMETTO ACHIEVEMENT CHALLENGE TESTS (PACT) RESULTS



## DEFINITIONS OF CRITICAL TERMS:

- Advanced** – Student performance exceeded expectations.
- Proficient** – Student performance met expectations.
- Basic** – Student performance met minimum performance expectations.
- Below Basic** – Student performance did not meet minimum performance expectations.

Science scores are to be reported on the 2004 School Report Card. Social studies scores are to be reported on the 2005 School Report Card.

PERCENT OF STUDENTS SCORING BASIC OR ABOVE ON THE PACT				
Student Group	English/ Language Arts	Math	Science	Social Studies
<b>All students (n=98)</b>	76.5	70.4	N/A	N/A
Students with disabilities other than Speech (n=13)	N/A	N/A		
Students without disabilities (n=84)	83.3	78.6		
<b>Gender</b>				
Male (n=47)	70.2	69.6		
Female (n=50)	84	72.5		
<b>Ethnic Group</b>				
African American (n=12)	N/A	N/A		
Hispanic (n=3)	N/A	N/A		
White (n=82)	79.3	72		
Other (n=N/A)	N/A	N/A		
<b>Lunch Status Group</b>				
Free/reduced-price Lunch (n=47)	74.5	71.7		
Pay for lunch (n=48)	83.3	73.5		

## SCHOOL PROFILE

### INDICATORS OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

SCHOOL	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median Elementary School
• Dollars spent per student	\$6,381	N/A	\$5,090	\$5,347
• Prime instructional time	89.8%	Down from 92.5%	89.8%	90.2%
• Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	17.6 to 1	N/A	18.7 to 1	18.7 to 1
<b>STUDENTS (n=174)</b>				
• Attendance Rate	96%	Down from 96.1%	95.9%	96.2%
• Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (ELA) off grade level	1%	N/A	4.2%	4.1%
• Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (math) off grade level	0%	N/A	3.1%	3.1%
• First graders who attended full day kindergarten	100%	No change	96.1%	96.3%
• Meeting grade 1 and 2 readiness standards	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
• Retention rate	3.4%	No change	3.4%	3.6%
<b>TEACHERS (n=12)</b>				
• Professional Development days per teacher	9.1 Days	Up from 5	7.5 Days	7.6 days
• Attendance Rate	95.6%	Down from 96.3%	95.1%	95.1%
• Teachers with advanced degrees	75%	Down from 76.9%	46.9%	47.7%
• Continuing contract teachers	91.7%	Up from 76.9%	84.8%	83.8%
• Teachers with out-of-field permits	0%	No change	0%	0.0%
• Teachers returning from the previous school year	90.6%	Down from 93.3%	88.1%	87.2%
• Average teacher salary	\$41,726	Up 8.6%	\$37,851	\$37,520

## SCHOOL FACTS

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median Elementary School
<b>SCHOOL</b>				
• Percentage of expenditures spent on teacher salaries	60.3%	N/A	65.6%	65.3%
• Principal's years at the school	3	N/A	4	4.0
• Parents attending conferences	100%	N/A	97%	95.6%
• Opportunities in the arts	Poor	N/A	Good	Good
<b>STUDENTS</b>				
• On academic plans	34.3%	Up from 28.2%	42.2%	43.1%
• On academic probation	0%	N/A	0%	0.0%
• Older than usual for grade	0.6%	No change	1.1%	1.1%
• Suspended or expelled	1	N/A	1	1
• Gifted and talented	17.5%	Up from 16.5%	12.6%	11.5%
• With disabilities other than speech	9.6%	Down from 12.4%	9.1%	8.4%



## PRINCIPAL'S / SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

Mt. Pisgah Elementary has had an outstanding year. Overall, our students performed well by showing improvement in all curriculum areas and by participating in a number of service activities. The students at Mt. Pisgah are exemplary models for students in neighboring schools and schools throughout the state. Among our many accomplishments are the following:

- Achieved "Top Ten in the State" status in four areas of statewide testing and met 53% of the district's incentive goals for academic achievement;
- Received second year funding of a \$282,000 Title I grant;
- 60% of sixth graders were inducted into the National Junior Beta Club;
- Several students were chosen as Duke TIP Scholars;
- Enrollment of 176 students read over 19,000 books;
- Completed the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools accreditation process.

Additionally, our faculty performed well and earned many honors this year. Three staff members were selected to participate in the Leader 1-2-3 training through the North Central Math and Science Hub. Two staff members were selected to attend the National Renaissance Convention in Las Vegas, Nevada. Mary Parker was chosen Teacher of the Year for the school. Beverly Hunter was chosen the District's Conservation Teacher of the Year. One teacher is currently working on a degree in school administration, and another teacher completed the requirements for National Board Certification. Principal Charles King is working on a doctorate degree. All instructional staff members are now trained in the Reading and Math Renaissance academic improvement process.

The School Improvement Council and PTO have done an excellent job this year. The PTO raised funds to improve the school aesthetically, purchased computers for the classrooms, and purchased instructional supplies for teachers.

Mt. Pisgah Elementary School is an outstanding learning environment that is an integral part of the Mt. Pisgah community. We are very proud of our school.

Charles King, Principal

### EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

Percent	Teachers	Students	Parents
Satisfied with learning environment	100.0	100.0	(Avail. 2002)
Satisfied with social and physical environment	81.8	100.0	
Satisfied with home-school relations	100.0	94.1	

### DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

**Excellent** – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Good** – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Average** – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Below Average** – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Unsatisfactory** – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Mt Pisgah Elementary  
5160 Mt. Pisgah Rd.  
Kershaw, SC 29067

Grades K-6 Elementary School

Enrollment: 174 Students

### Principal

Mr. Charles W. King II 803-475-6791

### Superintendent

Dr. Ralph A. Cain 803-432-8416

### Board Chair

Charles B. Baxley 803-438-4200

## THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Annual School  
Report Card

2001

School Grade:  
Below Average

### South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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